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VIA ECF

The Honorable Kimba M. Wood U.S. District Judge Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

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Re: Alexis Sklair et al. v. Mike Bloomberg 2020, Inc. and Michael Bloomberg, No. 20 Civ. 2495 (KMW) (GWG)

Dear Judge Wood:

We represent Defendants Mike Bloomberg 2020, Inc. (the "Campaign") and Michael Bloomberg in the above-referenced action. We write, in light of paragraph 3.A of the Court's Individual Practices, which ordinarily requires a pre-motion conference, to inform the Court that earlier today Defendants filed a motion to dismiss, or, in the alternative, to strike the class allegations, pursuant to a motion briefing schedule previously entered in this case.

By way of background, on March 23, 2020, Plaintiffs filed their initial Complaint against the Campaign. See Dkt. 1. This case was originally assigned to the Honorable Andrew L. Carter. Pursuant to Judge Carter's Individual Practices, the Campaign filed a letter motion requesting a pre-motion conference regarding its anticipated motion to dismiss or strike on May 1, 2020. See Dkt. 15. On May 4, 2020, this case was reassigned to the Honorable Laura Taylor Swain after it was accepted as related to a separate action against the Campaign entitled *Donna Wood et al. v.* Mike Bloomberg 2020, Inc., No. 20 Civ. 2489.

Pursuant to Judge Swain's Individual Practices, the Campaign used its best efforts to resolve informally the matters raised in its anticipated motion to dismiss or strike through a meet and confer process that involved an exchange of letters outlining the factual and legal grounds for the anticipated motion and a telephone conference with Plaintiffs. See Dkt. 20. After those efforts were unsuccessful, the Campaign filed its motion on June 15, 2020. See Dkts. 20-23. Rather than file an opposition to the Campaign's motion, Plaintiffs filed a First Amended Complaint on July 6, 2020, in which they added Mr. Bloomberg individually as a defendant. See Dkts. 36, 39.

On July 13, 2020, Judge Swain entered a motion briefing schedule with respect to Defendants' anticipated motion to dismiss or strike with respect to the First Amended Complaint. See Dkt. 43. Under this schedule, Defendants' motion was due by today, Plaintiffs' opposition is due by August 31, 2020, and Defendants' reply is due by September 21, 2020. Id.

We thank the Court for its attention to this matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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